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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q63913

Rui ISHIYAMA

Appln. No.: 09/823,763

Group Art Unit: 2621

Confirmation No.: 9124

Examiner: Tom Y.LU

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For: DEVICE, METHOD AND RECORD MEDIUM FOR IMAGE COMPARISON

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

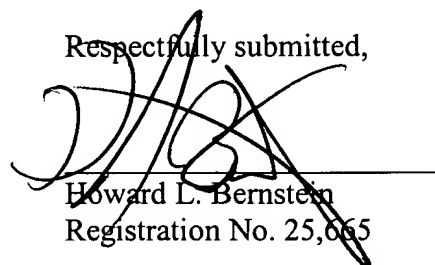
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 25, 2004 in which the Examiner has required an election of species, Applicant responds by electing Species II, claims 4, 24, 35, 55, 66 and 86.

Prompt and favorable action on the elected claims are now respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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